

Prevocational training hospital guide

As a Queensland Rural Generalist Pathway (QRGP) trainee, you'll develop diverse and valued skills needed to care for remote and rural Queenslanders.

Find out more about the hospitals where you can complete your rural generalist prevocational training:

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Note: The information in this guide is current as at January 2026. Future rotations may vary depending on operational requirements.

Bundaberg Hospital



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Wide Bay

- Orientation includes shadowing time, skill sessions (cannulation, BLS, COMPASS, AIRVO and aseptic technique) and an introduction to key departments throughout the hospital. You will be introduced to your mentor who will assist you in establishing your peer network.
- The Medical Education Unit offers weekly protected education time. You'll have access to diverse clinical exposure, practical learning, customised rotations, and tailored career development opportunities while receiving outstanding supervision throughout the hospital.
- Guaranteed term experience during PGY 1 & 2

Highly desirable by RG:

- Anaesthetics/ICU - 5-10 weeks
- Obstetrics and gynaecology - 5-10 weeks
- Paediatrics - 5-10 weeks
- Opportunities for rural experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - General Practice terms (10 weeks) are available in PG1 and PGY2.
 - Rural terms (10 weeks) are offered at Childers, Biggenden and Gin Gin Hospital in PGY2.

[Intern recruitment FAQs](#)

Medical Education Officer:

(07) 4150 2234 | MEOBundaberg@health.qld.gov.au

[Bundaberg Hospital](#)

Recruitment:

(07) 4150 2862 | WBHHS-JuniorMedicalRecruitment@health.qld.gov.au

Caboolture Hospital



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Metro North

- Orientation includes welcoming you to the team, mandatory training, prescribing skills workshops, ALS simulation and skills stations with MET scenarios. You will shadow a previous year's intern, allowing them to impart the knowledge they have gained during their intern year whilst establishing your peer network.

- The Medical Education Unit offers 2 hours of protected education time weekly. You will have access to each unit's specific learning program which includes bedside teaching, department education, case presentations and meetings. You'll also experience day-to-day clinical services such as handover and ward rounds with supportive supervisors. You'll build your clinical competence and advance professionally through a diverse range of clinical exposure and hands on experience in a friendly and supportive environment.
- Guaranteed term experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - Anaesthetics
 - Obstetrics and gynaecology
 - Paediatrics
- Rural experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - Community rotation through Caboolture Minor Illness and Injuries Clinic.

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Medical Education:
(07) 5433 8243 | MEU-Caboolture@health.qld.gov.au

[Caboolture Hospital](#)

Recruitment:
(07) 5433 8876 | caboolturemedicalrecruitment@health.qld.gov.au

Cairns Hospital



500+



Cairns and Hinterland

- Orientation includes a comprehensive 7 day program with time spent in the same area that you will be working in during Term 1.
- Guaranteed term experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - Anaesthetics - 5-10 weeks
 - O&G - 10 weeks
 - Paediatrics - 10 weeks
- Rural experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - PGY 1 - term rotations at Atherton Hospital, Mareeba Hospital, Innisfail Hospital, Tully Hospital, Babinda Multi-Purpose Health Service, Cooktown Hospital and RFDS.
 - PGY 2 - GP and Rural Generalist rotations throughout Cairns and Hinterland Hospital and Health Service, and Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service.

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Medical Education:
(07) 4426 7453 | CairnsMedicalEducationUnit@health.qld.gov.au

[Cairns Hospital](#)

Recruitment:
(07) 4226 6252 | CHHS_RMO_Recruitment@health.qld.gov.au

Hervey Bay Hospital



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Wide Bay

- Orientation includes a comprehensive program with time shadowing in your first department.
- You'll have rich and diverse learning experiences from supportive Seniors, with patients with high comorbidities and complexities, in an incredibly hands-on environment.
- Guaranteed term experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - Anaesthetics - 10 weeks
 - O&G - 10 weeks
 - Paediatrics - 10 weeks
- Rural experience during PGY 1 & 2

- PGY 2 - rural rotations available.

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Medical Education:
(07) 4325 6175 | MEOHerveyBay@health.qld.gov.au

[Hervey Bay Hospital](#)

Recruitment:
(07) 4325 6208 | WBHS-JuniorMedicalRecruitment@health.qld.gov.au

Ipswich Hospital



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West Moreton

- Orientation includes both undergraduate and postgraduate clinical education and training.
- A strong training platform is provided for you to pursue your desired career pathway. Clinical competence and professional advancement are promoted through the diverse range of clinical exposure and hands-on experience in a friendly and supportive environment.
- Guaranteed term experience during PGY 1 & 2 designed to meet ACRRM & RACGP-RG training requirements.
 - Anaesthetics
 - O&G
 - Paediatrics - (either Paediatric department or Paediatric ED)
- Rural experience during PGY 1 & 2 - available in PGY 2 across approved WMH rural sites

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Medical Education:
(07) 3810 1307 | WMMedicalEducationUnit@health.qld.gov.au

[Ipswich Hospital](#)

Recruitment and onboarding:
(07) 3810 1111 | wmmmedicalrecruitment@health.qld.gov.au

Mackay Base Hospital



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Mackay

- Orientation includes a comprehensive 2-week program with rostered one-on-one interviews for personal and professional advice and 3 days of ward shadowing.
- Guaranteed term experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - Anaesthetics - 10 weeks
 - O&G - 10 weeks
 - Paediatrics - 10 weeks
- Rural experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - Rural rotations available to Proserpine or Bowen hospitals.

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Medical Education:
(07) 4885 7082 | MEUMackay@health.qld.gov.au

[Mackay Base Hospital](#)

Recruitment:
(07) 4885 7516 | MHHS-Medical-Workforce-Intern@health.qld.gov.au

Mount Isa Hospital



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North West

- Orientation includes administrative and professional support to all medical staff.
- The Medical Education Officer and Director of Clinical Training provide career guidance and support.
- Guaranteed term experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - Anaesthetics - 5-10 weeks. Aiming to provide ANAE + ICU term exposure over PGY 2-3
 - O&G - 5-12 weeks. Possibility of attaining Women's Health Certificate

- Paediatrics - 5-10 weeks (Also mixed ED with 25% paediatric presentations)
- Rural experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - Mount Isa is a rural facility.

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Medical Education:
(07) 4744 7164 | NWHHS_MedicalEducation@health.qld.gov.au

[Mount Isa Hospital](#)

Recruitment:
(07) 4744 7141 | NWHHSMedicalWorkforceUnit@health.qld.gov.au

Redcliffe Hospital



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Metro North

- Orientation includes a comprehensive program delivered on commencement of employment.
- You'll participate in an extensive formal education program and regular meetings with the Director of Clinical Training and a Medical Education Officer. You'll also have access to support with an 'open door policy' for the Director Medical Workforce and Education Unit, term supervisors, Director of Clinical Training, Medical Education Officers, recruitment and rostering staff.
- Guaranteed term experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - Anaesthetics - 5 weeks
 - O&G - 10 weeks
 - Paediatrics or emergency medicine - 10 weeks
- Rural experience during PGY 2
 - PGY 2 - Rural medicine terms are available in Central West HHS.

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Medical Education:
(07) 3883 7194 | MedEd-Redcliffe@health.qld.gov.au

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Recruitment:
(07) 3883 7287 | redcliffemedicalrecruitment@health.qld.gov.au

Rockhampton Hospital



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Central Queensland

- Orientation includes a comprehensive 2 week program, including buddy time.
- Through the Prevocational Training Program (PTP), you'll receive culturally safe practice skills, regular pastoral care, mentorship, career guidance and dedicated support from the Medical Education Unit through the Director of Clinical Training and Medical Education Officers, Term and Clinical supervisors on the departments, and medical workforce staff including Medical Administration Registrar. You'll have access to a weekly protected teaching curriculum (FEP sessions) together with formal and informal education and training in each term rotation. Case-based scenario learning is included to connect relevance to work and the local community healthcare needs.
- Guaranteed term experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - Anaesthetics
 - O&G
 - Paediatrics
 - General medicine
 - General surgery
 - Emergency medicine
- Rural experience during PGY 1 & 2

- Opportunities are also offered at Emerald and Theodore Rural GPs and Rural Hospitals at Emerald and Capricorn Coast HHS. Gladstone Hospital has accredited terms providing a smaller hospital perspective.

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Medical Education:
(07) 4920 6332 | MEU_Rockhampton@health.qld.gov.au

Rockhampton Hospital

Recruitment:
(07) 4920 6764 | CQHhs_JMORecruit@health.qld.gov.au

Sunshine Coast University Hospital



700+



Sunshine Coast

- PGY1s receive a comprehensive 8-day orientation including ieMR training, simulations, procedural skills, small group workshops, and shadowing time.
- There are weekly 2-hour protected education for PGY1s including lectures, simulations, procedural skills, and small group workshops.
- You'll be supported by the Medical Education Unit (including a Medical Education Registrar) and receive quality education, supervision, and support from passionate and engaged Clinicians.
- There are opportunities to be involved in training committees, quality improvement and innovation, research, and an active Junior Doctor Society.
- Guaranteed terms during PGY 1 & 2
 - Anaesthetics - 10 weeks
 - O&G - 10 weeks
 - Paediatrics - 10 weeks
- Rural experience during PGY 1 & 2*
 - PGY1s - rotations at Gympie Hospital and Maleny Hospital.
 - PGY2s - rotations at Gympie Hospital, Maleny Hospital, Barcaldine or Emerald.

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Medical Education:
(07) 5202 2995 | sc-meded@health.qld.gov.au

Sunshine Coast University Hospital

Recruitment:
(07) 5202 2996 | sc-intern-recruitment@health.qld.gov.au

Toowoomba Hospital



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Darling Downs

- Orientation includes a week of training and buddy shifts to allow for familiarity with the hospital and role requirements.
- All sites provide a supportive learning environment with hands-on opportunities, departmental teaching and twice weekly intern focused education sessions. You'll have the chance to experience living and working in rural locations for up to 15 weeks. You'll have access to an encouraging and available MEU that provides day-to-day support and career guidance.
- Guaranteed term experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - Anaesthetics - 5 weeks
 - O&G - 5-10 weeks
 - Paediatrics - 5 weeks
- Rural experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - Rural hospital terms - Stanthorpe (PGY 1), Warwick (PGY 1), Dalby (PGY 1), Goondiwindi (PGY 2).
 - Rural GP terms - Goondiwindi, Jandowae, Oakey and Toowoomba.

- Rural relief elective (PGY 2) - various sites across Darling Downs Health.

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(07) 4616 6154 | DDHHS-MEU@health.qld.gov.au

Toowoomba Hospital

Recruitment:
(07) 4616 6350 | DDHHS-Medical-Rosters@health.qld.gov.au

Townsville University Hospital



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Townsville

- Orientation includes a mandatory face-to-face 8-day program that provides a balance of practical skills, small group workshops, lectures and work shadowing with opportunities to meet current clinicians who are leaders in their respective fields.
- The friendly Medical Education Unit coordinates the prevocational training program and facilitates other relevant education. It also provides career guidance, access to mentoring and wellbeing support. A dedicated Medical Workforce Team assists with pre-employment matters and is a defined point of contact for all rostering and leave-related requirements.
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander graduates can join the [Indigenous Prevocational Pathway](#) during their internship for additional career development, cultural and professional mentorship and support to achieve career goals.
- Guaranteed term experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - Anaesthetics
 - O&G - 10 weeks
 - Paediatrics - 5 weeks (with the remaining 5 weeks experience gained through exposure to paediatric care in emergency)
- Rural experience during PGY 1 & 2
 - Rotations include Ayr Hospital, Ingham Hospital, Joyce Palmer Health Service on Palm Island, and Charters Towers Hospital.

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Medical Education:
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TU Hospital

Recruitment:
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